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SUBJECT: LOCKHEED IN GREECE

REF: ATHENS 9234, 11/26/75

1. IN REPLY TO PRESS ITEM APPEARING FEB 12 IN TO VIMA (LIBERAL-OPPOSITION) ALLEGING THAT LOCKHEED WOULD BE INVESTIGATED FOR ITS ACITIVITIES IN WINNING FOR ITSELF A LEADINGROLE IN THE EDAY (HELLENIC AEROSPACE INDUSTRIES) CONTRACT, MIN OF DEFENSE AVEROFF ISSUED THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT QUOTE THE MINISTRY OF NATIONAL DEFENSE HAS NOT, SO FAR, RECEIVED ANY INFORMATION WHICH WOULD CALL FOR AN INQUIRY INTO BRIBERY OF GREEK OFFICIALS BY THE AMERICAN AIRCRAFT COMPANY LOCKHEED IN THE COURSE OF ITS ACTIVITIES IN CONNECTION WITH EBAY. UNQUOTE.
 2. THE PRESS REPORT WAS OBVIOUSLY STIMULATED BY ACCOUNTS OF LOCKHEED'S INVOLVEMNT IN SCANDALS ELSEWHERE. IT RECOUNTED THE LONG HISTORY OF THE EBAY CONTRACT, AND ALTHOUGH IT ATTEMPTED TO RAISE A SUSPICION OF IRREGULAR ACTIVITIES, IT OFFERED NO FACTUAL BASIS FOR SUCH AN ASSUMPTION.
 3. COMMENTING TO EMBASSY OFFICER, THE LOCKHEED EBAY
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PROJECT MANAGER, FRED MEIER, EXPRESSED CONFIDENCE THAT WITH

OR WITHOUT INVESTIGATION, LOCKHEED FACES NO PROBLEMS IN GREECE
WITH RESPECT TO ITS ROLE IN OBTAINING THE EBAY MANAGEMENT
CONTRACT. HE NOTED THAT THE ENTIRE HISTORY OF EVENTS LEADING UP
TO THE AWARD OF THIS CONTRACT HAD BEEN THOROUGHLY REVIEWED BY
THE GOG LAST NOVEMBER. ONLY A MINOR PROBLEM NOW STANDS IN
THE WAY OF IMPLEMENTATION OF THE AGREEMENT, AND THAT HAS TO DO
WITH AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE MINISTRIES OF COORDINATION AND
DEFENSE ON THE MEMBERS OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF EBAY.
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